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In re Application of: Warren L. Starkebaum et al.  
Title: Ablation of Exterior of Stomach to Treat Obesity

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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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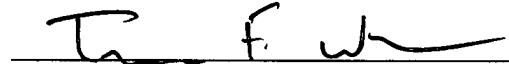
- Application Transmittal Letter (in duplicate)
- Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76) (2 pg.)
- Patent Application (Specification: 14 pg., Claims: 4 pg. and Abstract: 1 pg.)
- Drawings (5 pg., containing Figs. 1-10):  Formal  Informal
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Assignment of the Invention to:
  - Assignment Cover Sheet
  - Assignment Recordal Fee
  - Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b)
- Information Disclosure Statement
  - PTO-1449
  - Copies of IDS citations(Non-U.S. Patents only)
- Nonpublication Request Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- Return Receipt Postcard

FEE CALCULATION	No. Claims Filed	No. Claims Included in Base Fee	No. Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	25	- 20 =	5	x \$18.00	\$ 90.00
Independent Claims	4	- 3 =	1	x \$86.00	\$ 86.00
Multiple Dependent Claims				+ \$290.00	\$
Basic Filing Fee					\$ 770.00
				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$946.00</b>

- This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.
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Respectfully submitted,

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